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Black Russels,
Flower'd ditto,
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Moreens,
Scotch Plaid,
Kilmarnock and other
Caps,
Men and Womens
Hose,
Ditto Gloves,
Quality,
Shoe Bindings,
Mohairs,
Twist,
Crewels,
Irish Linen,
Sheetings,
Checks,
Stripes,
Cambricks,
Lawns,
Gauzes,
Linen Handkerchiefs,
Catgut,
Tandems,
Damask Tabling,
Ditto Napkins,
Russia Disper,
Huckabuck,
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Arithmerick ditto,
Dictionaries,
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Mariners Compasses,
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Sealing-wax,
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Wednesday, 35 Days from London, we have the following Advice, &c.

VERSAILLES, July 9.

THE Sieur Pieres, Printer to his Majesty in Ordinary, had the honour to present to the King on the 7th of May last, the model of a Printing Press, on an entire new construction, which was executed by the King's orders, and was set up the second of this month.

LONDON, September 4.

The town swarms, since the peace has been raised, with shoals of American visitants, who, whatever their politics may be, and whatever sentiments they may entertain as members of a new empire, cannot help giving individually this demonstration of their personal attachment to the Mother Country. These gentlemen all agree in the same dismal accounts of the misery and distraction which prevail in the United States. And what is very extraordinary, it is those they say who occupy the middling ranks of life, whose circumstances are the most calamitous and desperate. In no country on earth do labourers and mechanics of all descriptions earn more easily and expeditiously a decent and respectable livelihood, but people of large and extensive property are utterly at a loss by what means to circulate and realize it. In short, their merchants are without stock, their states without credit, and their subjects without mutual confidence. And it would be a miracle to find them happy in the midst of circumstances which have hitherto destroyed all the kingdoms in the world.

We have authority to inform our readers, by letters from Dublin, of the 30th of August, that Mr. J. Dowling, the printer of the *Volunteers Journal*, is taken up, by order of the Lord Lieutenant, and charged with high treason. The following paragraph being part of an address to the people, published in his paper, and signed by Mr. H. Murray, is marked out by the Crown lawyers for the basis of the prosecution: "O Ireland! unhappy land! will you forever bear with such tyranny? Are you asleep with arms in your hands? Awake, for shame, support the justice of your cause; let no station screen the guilty from your resentment. Pull those tyrants from the seat of power, and convince the world that Ireland must be free."

(Signed)

H. MURRAY."

Mr. Dowling was seized by Justice Graham, and carried before Judge Robinson, who committed him to Newgate, at the suit of the Crown.

We hear that Government has directed the debts of Col. Rogers, who has been for some time past confined in Newgate for trifling sums, to be immediately paid, in consideration of his services during the two last wars in America.

A person brought up to, and having all his life made the mechanics his peculiar study, has at length brought to perfection the art of flying.

This most useful and ingenious invention, which has been attempted by many, but completed by none, he performs by fixing to his arms a pair of wings, of a very curious construction, and clothing himself in a tight jacket, composed of rings of large feathers, made in such a manner, as that in common walking, they shall lie flat to his sides, but when in the air, shall extend themselves horizontally, by which means his body will be rendered a moist of the same specific weight as the air, so that very little labour with the wings will be necessary, in order to traverse the airy regions, both with pleasure and safety. The person having, with great labour and expense, finished an apparatus, he proposes on Saturday next, the 28th day of August, precisely at two o'clock, to ascend from the middle of one of the quarters of Moorfields; and that no one may suspect him to be a second Montgolfier, in engaging to perform what he has no courage to attempt, and thereby pick the pocket of the public he intends this first trial shall be made in the face of as many as choose to favour him with their presence, he neither expects nor desires any reward.

Sept. 7 About sixty black men and six black women with their children, who have for six months been supported in Bridewell, are put on board a vessel, provided by government, to carry them to Nova-Scotia. These people had left America in the civil commotions, and are now going to join their brethren.

Anecdote of an honest Stock Jobber.—Some time since a countryman having a legacy left him, was advised by an acquaintance to get into the stock-jobbing business, assuring him, that large fortunes have been made in that line.—The countryman being struck with the thought of increasing his

some person acquainted with the public funds; accordingly Mr. D—d L—d was named. The countryman, in a few days, repaired to town, and on inquiry at the Bank, was introduced to the honest Broker—when, after telling him his tale, Mr. L—d asked the sum he was in possession of—the countryman replied, "five thousand pounds." What business have you followed? He answered, farming. "Then," says he "go on Monday next to Smithfield, and buy pigs with it." Pigs! pigs! replied the countryman; "Lord! Sir, I never dealt in pigs."—Then," says the Broker, "let this be the first time—for there you will be sure of a squeak for your money, but I'll be d—d if you have even that here."

Sept. 15. It is now known, from undoubted authority, that the time for the meeting of Parliament is settled. It is fixed for the twentieth of January next for the despatch of business.

Monday his Excellency the French Plenipotentiary went to Lord Sydney's office, and delivered a requisition for an audience of his Majesty in form, which is appointed for this day after the levée at St. James's.

Extract of a letter from Plymouth, Sept. 14.

"There are Commissioners from Ostend in town, to buy up any vessels fit for privateers, to cruise under Imperial colours against the Dutch, as hostilities were expected to commence every day, the Emperor being determined to open the navigation of the Scheldt."

Sept. 17. A respectable gentleman, on whose veracity we can rely, assures us, that he had the honor yesterday at one o'clock, of being personally informed by Prince Caramanico, the Neapolitan Ambassador, that Mr. Lunardi, after an agreeable passage of three hours and forty minutes from the time he ascended from the Artillery-ground, alighted safe in the pleasure-ground of William Baker, Esq; late Member for Hertford, between six and seven o'clock, between Ware and Hertford, where he remained that night, Mr. Baker giving him a most hospitable reception, and refusing his return to town till he was perfectly recovered from the fatigue naturally attendant on such an excursion, and had secured his balloon for another experiment, which Mr. Lunardi had signified his intention of making on a future day.

Mr. Lunardi seemed quite benumbed with the cold he had suffered in the upper regions; the thermometer, by his account, was six degrees below freezing point! the cat and the dog were much wet, and the gallery covered with a coat of ice.

Sept. 18. It was asserted on Thursday, that in consequence of the infinite satisfaction his Majesty derived from Lunardi's experiment as a man of science, he had ordered one hundred guineas to be remitted to him the moment his safe arrival in town was announced, as a douceur, in consideration of his having accomplished a project so new in this country, and with so much accuracy and perfection. The correspondent who mentions this report hopes, for the credit of a prince so celebrated for his attachment to the lovers of arts and sciences, that it may be true.

After Mr. Lunardi had been up in his balloon about an hour and an half, the thermometer stood at 35 degrees, when the atmosphere was so cold that icicles were upon his cloaths; and he was fearful his balloon would burst—at this time he drank some glasses of Madeira; his provisions were so intermixed with the sand at the bottom of the gallery, as to be of no service: on throwing out some air the thermometer rose to 50, when the atmosphere was delightful; and in this situation he floated for an hour. In passing over some villages, he called with his speaking trumpet to the people, who heard him and answered. At Northaw he descended so low as to converse with a villager, a servant of Mr. Strongs, who was digging gravel. He there threw out his cat which had accompanied him, and was taken up alive by an inhabitant.

The oar which Mr. Lunardi, while "hoisted upon the lightless monsters of the air," dropped on Wednesday afternoon, fell near the New Sessions-house, Clekenwell-green, and was dexterously caught by Mr. Season, master of the Magpye ale-house, the corner of Mutton-lane: one of the wings or sails fell in Ray-street, and was taken up by Mrs. Godfrey, a servant at the Baptist's Head, St. John's-lane; but it was seized and tore into pieces and divided among the populace. The poor woman, with streaming eyes and wringing hands, declared, that the loss of her husband or one of her children would scarcely

being so cruelly despoiled of the sign of good luck, that the flying conjurer had thrown into her lap.

The sight of Mr. Lunardi's Balloon has set many people's minds at work in speculations on the use that might be made on aerostatic machines. Amongst the many ideas that they have suggested, that of the aerial traveller raising himself so high as to get above the circumambient air, which partakes of the diurnal motion of the earth, so as to be stationary whilst the globe turned underneath him and then descend on any part of the world he pleased, is very ingenious. In the balloon conversation, inserted in a morning paper of yesterday (yesterday) the only reason assigned, and it is a sufficient one, for the impracticability of such an experiment is the impossibility of living out of our natural element, the air, which surrounds our globe, but allowing it possible for a moment, another circumstance not attended to, would be an insuperable obstacle to it, for as the earth, besides her diurnal rotation round its axis, moves at the rate of fifty-eight thousand miles an hour in her orbit round the sun. The traveller on coming down after an hour's fixed station to the place from whence he ascended, would find the earth 58,000 miles from him, besides the allowance to be made in that proportion, for the time he would be in his descent.

Sept. 22. According to letters from Paris, Mont. Marigny, commander of the *Venus* frigate, of 26 guns, which had arrived at Rochfort, after being drove off the Coast of Guinea by the Portuguese is gone himself with a memorial to the court of Lisbon, to lay before them all the circumstances of the conduct of the Portuguese Governor of Angola.

Letters from Edinburgh, dated Sept. the 16th. declare, that in consequence of the distresses brought upon the inhabitants of the Highlands, from the bad crops, the failure of the fisheries, and the hurricanes in the year 1784, it has been found upon a candid inquiry, that they and their families have emigrated from that part of Scotland and Shetland, for different parts of America, to the amount of 19,000 souls.

Sept. 24 The master of a merchantmen, who arrived at Portsmouth a few days ago from Havre-de-Grace, advises that the French are fitting up with all possible expedition two basons, one at Havre, and the other at Cherburgh; in the smallest of which 45 sail of the line may be commodiously moored; and that between 3 and 4000 hands are constantly employed on these works.

St. GEORGE'S (Grenada) Sept. 4.

On Thursday an uncommon quantity of rain fell here, accompanied with dreadful thunder and heavy squalls of wind. About one o'clock in the afternoon, when the storm seemed to be at its height, the lightning (as it is supposed) fell on the magazine of Fort Frederick, situated on the top of a high hill in the vicinity of this town, containing about 150 barrels of gun powder, which blew up with a horrible explosion, and greatly damaged the fort. A corporal and three privates of the 60th regiment, who were on duty there, unfortunately perished on this occasion. The houses that stand nearest the fort, sustained some damage, but very little was done to those in town, although the concussion occasioned by the explosion was so strong, that it burst open several doors and windows, and operated in other respects like the shock of an earthquake.

MUSCOVADO SUGARS.

A QUANTITY of Muscovado Sugars, to be sold, by MASON & MALBONE, at their Store in Thames-street.

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THE Sieur Pieres, Printer to his Majesty in Ordinary, had the honour to present to the King on the 7th of May last, the model of a Printing Press, on an entire new construction, which was executed by the King's orders, and was set up the second of this month.

L O N D O N, September 4.

The town swarms, since the peace has been raised, with shoals of American visitants, who, whatever their politics may be, and whatever sentiments they may entertain as members of a new empire, cannot help giving individually this demonstration of their personal attachment to the Mother Country. These gentlemen all agree in the same dismal accounts of the misery and distraction which prevail in the United States. And what is very extraordinary, it is those they say who occupy the middling ranks of life, whose circumstances are the most calamitous and desperate. In no country on earth do labourers and mechanics of all descriptions earn more easily and expeditiously a decent and respectable livelihood, but people of large and extensive property are utterly at a loss by what means to circulate and realize it. In short, their merchants are without stock, their states without credit, and their subjects without mutual confidence. And it would be a miracle to find them happy in the midst of circumstances which have hitherto destroyed all the kingdoms in the world.

We have authority to inform our readers, by letters from Dublin, of the 30th of August, that Mr. J. Dowling, the printer of the *Volunteers Journal*, is taken up, by order of the Lord Lieutenant, and charged with high treason. The following paragraph being part of an address to the people, published in his paper, and signed by Mr. H. Murray, is marked out by the Crown lawyers for the basis of the prosecution: "O Ireland! unhappy land! wilt you forever bear with such tyranny? Are you asleep with arms in your hands? Arise, for shame, support the justice of your cause; let no station screen the guilty from your resentment. Pull those tyrants from the seat of power, and convince the world that Ireland must be free."

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A person brought up to, and having all his life made the mechanics his peculiar study, has at length brought to perfection the art of flying.

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Sept. 7 About sixty black men and six black women with their children, who have for six months been supported in Bridewell, are put on board a vessel, provided by government, to carry them to Nova-Scotia. These people had left America in the civil commotions, and are now going to join their brethren.

Anecdote of an honest Stock Jobber.—Some time since a countryman having a legacy left him, was advised by an acquaintance to get into the stock-jobbing business, assuring him, that large fortunes have been made in that line.—The countryman being struck with the thought of increasing his

some person acquainted with the public funds; accordingly Mr. D—d L—d was named. The countryman, in a few days, repaired to town, and on inquiry at the Bank, was introduced to the honest Broker—when, after telling him his tale, Mr. L—d asked the sum he was in possession of—the countryman replied, "five thousand pounds." What business have you followed? He answered, farming. "Then," says he "go on Monday next to Smithfield, and buy pigs with it." Pigs! pigs!" replied the countryman; "Lord! Sir, I never dealt in pigs."—Then," says the Broker, "let this be the first time—for there you will be sure of a squeak for your money, but I'll be d—d if you have even that here."

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Monday his Excellency the French Plenipotentiary went to Lord Sydney's office, and delivered a requisition for an audience of his Majesty in form, which is appointed for this day after the levee at St. James's.

Extract of a letter from Plymouth, Sept. 14.

"There are Commissioners from Ostend in town, to buy up any vessels fit for privateers, to cruise under Imperial colours against the Dutch, as hostilities were expected to commence every day, the Emperor being determined to open the navigation of the Scheldt."

Sept. 17. A respectable gentleman, on whose veracity we can rely, assures us, that he had the honor yesterday at one o'clock, of being personally informed by Prince Caramanico, the Neapolitan Ambassador, that Mr. Lunardi, after an agreeable passage of three hours and forty minutes from the time he ascended from the Artillery-ground, alighted safe in the pleasure-ground of William Baker, Esq; late Member for Hertford, between six and seven o'clock, between Ware and Hertford, where he remained that night, Mr. Baker giving him a most hospitable reception, and refusing his return to town till he was perfectly recovered from the fatigue naturally attendant on such an excursion, and had secured his balloon for another experiment, which Mr. Lunardi had signified his intention of making on a future day.

Mr. Lunardi seemed quite benumbed with the cold he had suffered in the upper regions; the thermometer, by his account, was six degrees below freezing point! the cat and the dog were much wet, and the gallery covered with a coat of ice.

Sept. 18. It was asserted on Thursday, that in consequence of the infinite satisfaction his Majesty derived from Lunardi's experiment as a man of science, he had ordered one hundred guineas to be remitted to him the moment his safe arrival in town was announced, as a douceur, in consideration of his having accomplished a project so new in this country, and with so much accuracy and perfection. The correspondent who mentions this report hopes, for the credit of a prince so celebrated for his attachment to the lovers of arts and sciences, that it may be true.

After Mr. Lunardi had been up in his balloon about an hour and an half, the thermometer stood at 35 degrees, when the atmosphere was so cold that icicles were upon his cloaths; and he was fearful his balloon would burst—at this time he drank some glasses of Madeira; his provisions were so intermixed with the sand at the bottom of the gallery, as to be of no service: on throwing out some air the thermometer rose to 50, when the atmosphere was delightful; and in this situation he floated for an hour. In passing over some villages, he called with his speaking trumpet to the people, who heard him and answered. At Northaw he descended so low as to converse with a villager, a servant of Mr. Strongs, who was digging gravel. He there threw out his cat which had accompanied him, and was taken up alive by an inhabitant.

The oar which Mr. Lunardi, while "horled upon the sightless monsters of the air," dropped on Wednesday afternoon, fell near the New Sessions-house, Clekenwell-green, and was dexterously caught by Mr. Season, master of the Magpye ale-house, the corner of Mutton-lane: one of the wings or sails fell in Ray-street, and was taken up by Mrs. Godfrey, a servant at the Baptist's Head, St. John's-lane; but it was seized and tore into pieces and divided among the populace. The poor woman, with streaming eyes and wringing hands, declared, that the loss of her husband or one of her children would scarcely

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Addressed to the Dutches of DEVONSHIRE.
READ Chesterfield, and learn to be polite, For who like Chesterfield can charm and write,

How glows the page with energy divine !
 The graces tune each smooth melodious line ;
 And Venus with her best attractions fraught,
 Embalms each sentence, and perfumes each thought ;

The splendid quintessence of polish'd gout,
 Of taste and manners the refin'd ragout ;
 All that can please the eye, or charm the ear,
 All that can win the heart, the man endear,
 All that can urge the mind to great design,
 In this rich Olio its perfection join.

What pity 'tis that all is fraud and art,
 The loose effusions of a misled heart ?
 'Tis Dissipation to advantage dress'd,
 'Tis Prostitution decently express'd,
 'Tis a rich Cabinet of modish Sin,
 Without all Angel, but all Devil within ;
 A mere Seraglio, where the unfetter'd soul,
 Turns Muslin man, and roves without controul.
 Free and unbounded o'er wild Nature's walk,
 The well-bred strolling taught with grace to stalk :
 The morals of a Whore, a Fop's address,
 A boundless lust of dazzling to excess ;
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 The body taught, as well as soul, to cheat ;
 With conscience ever gay, and heart at ease,
 No dull religion, to perplex and tease.
 Commodious honesty that ebbs and flows,
 Just as the partial gale of interest blows,
 Compose the whole of the accomplish'd plan,
 The education of the finish'd man.
 Who'er thou art that readst this work with glee,
 A Lovelace or Lothario shalt thou be.
 Like Mach'avel, the men you will deceive,
 And be the tempter with each beauteous Eve.
 'Tis the best book to lead the mind astray,
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 In life's unceasing maze, though flowers abound,
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 Then spurn the courtier, o'er him wave the rod,
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CAUSIDICUS.

CHRISTOPHER CHAMPLIN

Hath just imported, and has now to sell at his Store,

BOHEA TEA, by the Chest ; Swedish Iron offered ; Russia and Ravens Duck ; Cord age—and a small Assortment of English Goods.
 Newport, October 8, 1784.

Robert Rogers

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A WELL ASSORTED STORE.

WALTER CHANNING

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Broadcloths and Cassimeres, of the most approved Colours, with Trimmings of every Kind ;

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A variety of corduroys, honeycombs, plain and figured velvets, thickets, jeans, fustians, princess stuff, silk florentine, murblets, tissues, and rich black fatten, for mens wear, Bengals, drawboys and marceilles quilting, Printed linens, cottons, and calicoes, Plain and patent ribb'd stockings, Silk, cotton, and thread ditto, Full'd caps and gloves, Ermins, muffs, and tippets, Womens sattinet and ruffel shoes.

Irish Linens very low charged.

A Variety of plain and striped Camblets and Cambleteens.

Crapes and Scotch plaid, A fine collection of gauzes, handkerchiefs and aprons of the newest taste, Lawns, cambricks, and kenting handkerchiefs, Fine muslin for aprons, plain, checked, and tambour work'd ditto, Shawls, cravats, barcelona, bandannoe, and romall handkerchiefs, Checked and fancy linen, and cambrick ditto, Mens silk, doe, beaver, and lamb gloves, Womens laced and plain silk, fatten, beaver and lamb gloves and mitts, Brown and stay buckram, cord, galloon, ounce threads, cap-wire, tapes and shirt buttons, Gilt, post, fools-cap, and common paper, Paper hangings,

Very fashionable duccapes, lutestrings, mantues, and thread fattins, plain and striped, Plain and figured fattins, pelong, modes, taffeties, persians and farsnets, Ribbons and taste of the newest fancies, Black and white edgings and laces, trimmings, and snails, Brown and black beaver, castor, felt and chip hats, Ferrets, qualities, coat and shoe bindings, Knee garters, death head and, campaign buttons, twist, sewing silk, and threads of every colour, Genuine Scotch snuff, Bibles, testaments, and grammars,

Window Glafs, Nails, and Shot.

A great variety of fashionable plated and gilt buttons, shoe and knee buckles, Table and carving knives and forks, cutteaus, scissars and shears, Brass knob, stock, closet, and chest locks, Desk furniture complete, Frying pans, steel plate and common hand-saws, Thumb latches, hinges, snuff and tobacco boxes, oil flints and awl blades,

Elegant japanned tea trays and waiters, Princess metal, brass and iron candlesticks, Warming pans, bellows, shovel and tongs, German and English steel, Wool and cotton cards, London pewter dishes, plates, basons and porringers, Pins, needles and fishhooks, of all sorts, Hard metal teapots and spoons,

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